

**BISHOP'S STORTFORD U3A**  
**Minutes of the 30<sup>TH</sup> Annual General Meeting held at the Methodist Church, Bishop's Stortford**  
**9<sup>th</sup> March, 2015**

The meeting was opened at 14.30 by the Chairman, Jenny McGregor, who extended a warm welcome to all.

**1) Apologies for absence:** None

**2) Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting and Chairman's report**

The minutes of the 2014 Annual General Meeting were not read out by the Chairman as they had been published on the website and available via hard copy throughout 2014 for perusal and comment.

They were accepted as a true and correct record.

Proposed: Pat Henderson

Seconded: Susan Shaw

The Minutes were signed by the Chairman Jenny McGregor.

**3) Matters Arising: None**

**4) Chairman's Report**

The Chairman, Jenny McGregor gave her report for 2014/15

Copy attached to the file copy of the March 2015 Minutes. Available on the website or via hard copy upon request.

**5) Treasurer's Report and the Appointment of Examiner**

The examined accounts for 2014 were presented.

The Treasurer, Alasdair Hidden, gave his report and addressed various items in the accounts. The Treasurer informed members that with the small surplus of cash from HMRC in the form of Gift Aided grants we were going to be able to make contributions back to groups in the form of grants and loans to help source capital investment for groups that applied. It will also allow us to keep subscriptions at their current low level. Accounts previously circulated to the committee, copy attached to file copy of AGM minutes or available on the website or via hard copy upon request.

The examined accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2014 were accepted as a true and accurate record.

Proposed: Don Swain

Seconded: Tony Henderson

## **6) Approval of the Examiner of Accounts (Auditor)**

The Treasurer thanked the Examiner, Robert Inglis, for his advice and diligence and stated that Mr. Inglis would receive a small token of gratitude from the Committee and that he had agreed to examine the accounts for 2015. The meeting was asked to approve the appointment of Mr. Inglis to examine the 2015 accounts.

Proposed: Delia Stebbing  
Seconded: Jenny McGregor

## **7. Election of Officers**

Nomination forms had been received for the following full committee members.

Rose Anderson  
Dave Branchflower  
Keith Hicks  
Alasdair Hidden  
Jenny McGregor  
Christine Robinson

The Chairman introduced the full committee going forward for 2015/16.

The Chairman asked for a proposer and seconder to accept the new nominations to the committee and accept existing members willing to stand for a further 3 year term of office or for the length of time left of their 3 year term of office.

Proposed: Tony Henderson  
Seconded: Beryl Smith

## **The committee for 2015/2016**

Chairman	Richard Cawse
Vice Chairman	Jeff Poynter
Treasurer	Alasdair Hidden
Secretary	Christine Robinson
Membership Secretary	Rose Anderson
Speaker Arranger	Jenny McGregor
Groups Manager	Dave Branchflower
Website Co-ordinator and Assistant Diary Compiler	Alan Draper
Committee Members	Cyril Merrison Susan Shaw Keith Hicks

Outings/Events Co-ordinator no longer a committee post

## **Any Other Business**

As there had been no written questions submitted for the AGM the meeting closed at 3pm.

The AGM was followed by a speaker from Grove Cottage, Natalie Trapmore.

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